

This Page Is Inserted by IFW Operations  
and is not a part of the Official Record

## **BEST AVAILABLE IMAGES**

Defective images within this document are accurate representations of the original documents submitted by the applicant.

Defects in the images may include (but are not limited to):

- BLACK BORDERS
- TEXT CUT OFF AT TOP, BOTTOM OR SIDES ✓
- FADED TEXT
- ILLEGIBLE TEXT
- SKEWED/SLANTED IMAGES
- COLORED PHOTOS
- BLACK OR VERY BLACK AND WHITE DARK PHOTOS
- GRAY SCALE DOCUMENTS

**IMAGES ARE BEST AVAILABLE COPY.**

**As rescanning documents *will not* correct images,  
please do not report the images to the  
Image Problem Mailbox.**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Coleman, David Harold )  
Serial No: 09/812,201 ) Group No.:3632  
Filed: 03/16/2001 ) Examiner: Wujciak, Alfred J  
For: Tripod Stabilizer and Lighted Lens Carousel )

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

03916 U.S.PTO  
10/671241  
092403

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8a)**

I hereby certify that this paper, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: September 24, 2003

Risto A. Rinne, Jr.

(Name of person mailing paper)

*Risto A. Rinne, Jr.* September 24, 2003  
(Signature of person mailing paper) Reg. 37,055

**LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL**

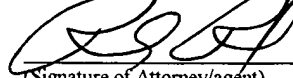
The enclosed Divisional Patent Application is believed to be an exact copy, as filed, of presently copending patent application serial number 09/812,201, filed March 16, 2001, entitled "Tripod Stabilizer and Lighted Lens Carousel", by the same inventor David Harold Coleman, and which was assigned to group 3632 and to Examiner Alfred Wujciak, and which is presently approved for issuance as a patent. This filing is prior to the payment of the Issue Fee of the above identified parent patent application. This Divisional is filed under 37 USC 1.53 (b) (1) and 1.63 (d), and claims the priority of the parent patent application. No new matter is added.

A set of the informal drawings, as was filed, as well as a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney and Small Entity Statement pages that were filed with the parent application is attached hereto. A set of formal drawings is also enclosed, and it is requested that the enclosed formal drawings be used to replace the informal drawings.

A "Preliminary Amendment" which cancels claims 1-15 that were originally filed with the above identified parent application is attached. Claims 16-19, as originally filed in the parent application, are currently amended. New claims 20-23 and 29 are currently added. The newly added claim numbers are identical to claim numbers occurring in the parent application prior to the submission of the last amendment affecting the parent application and

subsequently resulting in a notice of allowance. Therefore, remaining claims 16-23 and 29 are those requested for consideration regarding this Divisional Application. The attached Preliminary Amendment requests that these remaining claims be renumbered as 1-8 and 9 respectively. The calculated filing fee is based on the claims in this Divisional Application that are remaining for consideration (16-23, 29) after the Preliminary Amendment has been affected.

Respectfully submitted,

 September 24, 2003  
(Signature of Attorney/agent)

Reg. No. 37,055

Tel. No.: (415) 457-6933

Risto A. Rinne, Jr.

(Type or print name of Atty./agent)

2173 East Francisco Blvd. Suite E

(P.O. Address)

San Rafael, CA 94901

## Certificate of Express Mailing

Per 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail Post Office to Addressee, Express

Mail Number EU66359466Y U.S.  
in an envelope addressed to:

MAIL STOP: PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Mail Stop: PATENT APPLICATION

Risto A. Rinne Jr. (Name of Person mailing correspondence)  
Registration Number 37,055

Signature: 

Date of Signature: September 24, 2003

**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**  
**(Small Entity)**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Docket No.

COLEMAN - DIV

Total Pages in this Submission

57

**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

**Box Patent Application**

**Washington, D.C. 20231**

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

TRIPOD STABILIZER and LIGHTED LENS

and invented by:

CAROUSEL

DAVID HAROLD COLEMAN

If a CONTINUATION APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-In-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/812,201

Which is a:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-In-part (CIP) of prior application No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Which is a:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-In-part (CIP) of prior application No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed are:

**Application Elements**

1. ☒ Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2. ☒ Specification having 27 pages and including the following:
  - a. ☒ Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - b. ☒ Cross References to Related Applications (if applicable)
  - c. ☐ Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (if applicable)
  - d. ☐ Reference to Microfiche Appendix (if applicable)
  - e. ☒ Background of the Invention
  - f. ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
  - g. ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings (if drawings filed)
  - h. ☒ Detailed Description
  - i. ☒ Claim(s) as Classified Below
  - j. ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL  
(Small Entity)

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Docket No.

COLEMAN-DIV

Total Pages in this Submission

57

Application Elements (Continued)

3. ☒ Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)

a. ☒ Formal

b. ☒ Informal

Number of Sheets 2 Formal Sheets  
3 Informal Sheets

4. ☒ Oath or Declaration

a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy) ☐ Unexecuted

b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional application only)

c. ☒ With Power of Attorney ☐ Without Power of Attorney

d. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. ☐ Computer Program in Microfiche

7. ☐ Genetic Sequence Submission (if applicable, all must be included)

a. ☐ Paper Copy

b. ☐ Computer Readable Copy

c. ☐ Statement Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy

Accompanying Application Parts

8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents)

9. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)

10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)

11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

12. ☒ Preliminary Amendment (15 Page)

13. ☒ Acknowledgment postcard

14. ☒ Certificate of Mailing

P2 24

☐ First Class

☒ Express Mail (Specify Label No.)

FOR SEPT. 24, 2003

# EU 663594664US

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL  
(Small Entity)

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Docket No.

COLEMAN-DIV

Total Pages in this Submission

57

Accompanying Application Parts (Continued)

15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Small Entity Statement(s) - Specify Number of Statements Submitted: 1 (copy)

17. ☒ Additional Enclosures (please identify below):

APPLICANT CLAIMS BENEFIT OF PRIORITY  
OF PARENT APPLICATION.

Request That Application Not Be Published Pursuant To 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)

18. ☐ Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2), Applicant hereby requests that this patent application not be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(1). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing of the application.

Warning

An applicant who makes a request not to publish, but who subsequently files in a foreign country or under a multilateral international agreement specified in 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i), must notify the Director of such filing not later than 45 days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. A failure of the applicant to provide such notice within the prescribed period shall result in the application being regarded as abandoned, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Director that the delay in submitting the notice was unintentional.

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (Small Entity)

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Docket No.

COLEMAN - DIV

Total Pages in this Submission

57

## Fee Calculation and Transmittal

### CLAIMS AS FILED

For	#Filed	#Allowed	#Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	9	- 20 =	0	x \$9.00	—
Indep. Claims	4	- 3 =	1	x \$ 42.00	42.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					
BASIC FEE					375.00
OTHER FEE (specify purpose) _____					
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$ 417.00

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$417.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed. (check 6463)
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ as filing fee.
  - ☐ Credit any overpayment.
  - ☐ Charge any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17.
  - ☐ Charge the Issue fee set in 37 C.F.R. 1.18 at the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.311(b).

Dated: September 24, 2003



Signature

Reg # 37,055

cc:

Re: 424